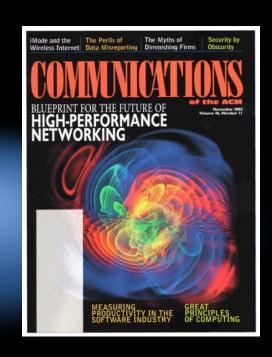
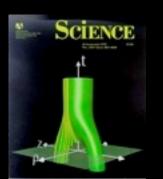
Transformation of Science through Cyberinfrastructure

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Data-Driven Multiscale Collaborations* for Complexity Great Challenges of 21st Century

- Multiscale Collaborations
 - General Relativity, Particles, Geosciences, Bio, Social...
 - And all combinations...
- Science and Society being transformed by CI and Data
 - Completely new methodologies
 - "The End of Science" (as we know it)
- Cl plays central role
 - No community can attack challenges
 - Technical, CS, social issues to solve
- Places requirements on computing, software, networks, tools, etc



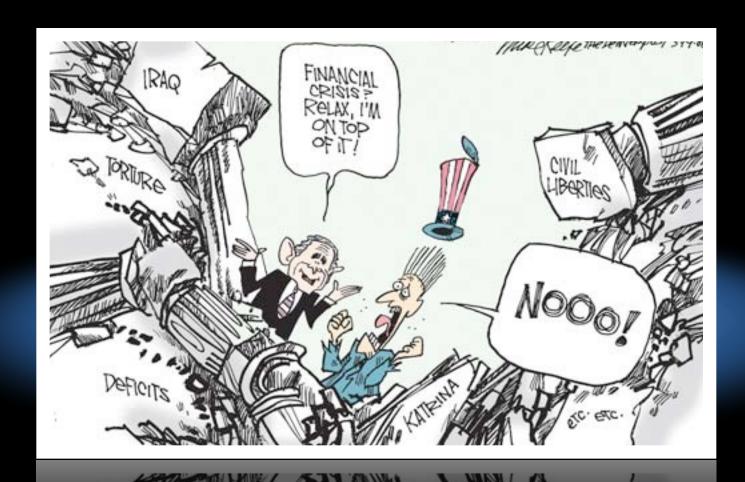






*Small groups still important!

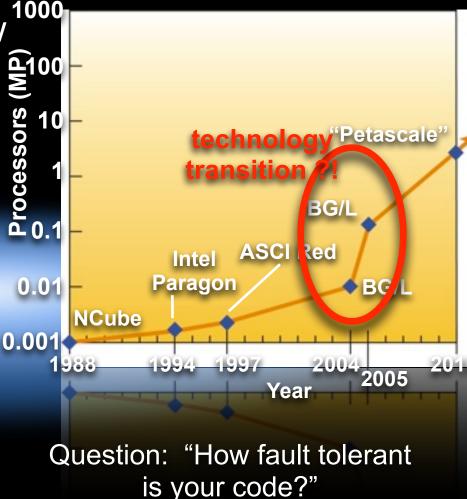
Crises to Deal With





Technology Crisis (Adapted from Simon/Shalf)

- "The processor is the new transistor" (Patterson)
 - BG/L at LLNL: as many procs as transistors in the MC68000
 - N_{procs} has made a transition
 - Programming parallel codes like assembly language moving bits between transistors
- Multicore is coming on fast
 - N_{cores} doubles every 18 months, clock rate more or less fixed
 - Programming: MPI within a chip???, No: MPI + ???



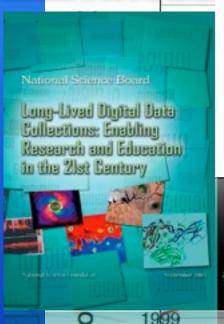
Many CS, CI Challenges

Data Crisis: Information Big Bang
Wired, Nature

PCAST Digital Data

Industry

NSB Report: Long-Lived Digital Data Collections
Enabling Research and
Education in the 21st Centur





Storage Networking Industry Association (SNIA) 100 Year Archive

Requirements Survey Report

"there is a pending crisis in archiving... we have to create long-term methods for preserving information, for making it available for analysis in the future." 80% respondents: >50 yrs; 68% > 100 yrs





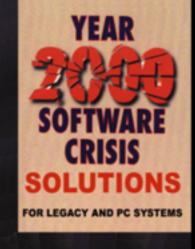
Amount Can Store In Human Minds in 1 Yr

Sources: Lesk, Berkeley SIMS, Landauer, EMC

YEAR

Software Crisis

- Computers are exceedingly complex
 - Desktops with hundreds of cores
 - Supercomputers with millions of cores
 - They last 3-4 years...
- Software systems and applications
 - Science apps have 10³ to 10⁶⁺ lines, have bugs
 - Applications may take decades to develop
 - We spend at least 10x as much on hardware
 - GC communities place requirements on software for complex CI (not just HPC!)
- We have a crisis in software
 - We don't know how to write it!
 - Is our science reproducible? If not...not science!

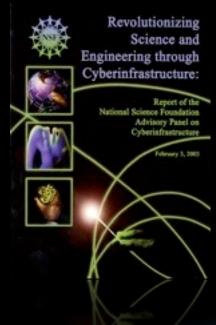


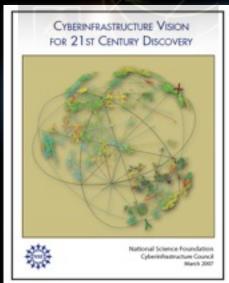
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Toolkit for

complex CI?





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NSF Vision

"National-level, integrated system of hardware, software, data resources & services... to enable new paradigms of science"

Virtual
Organizations for
Distributed Communities

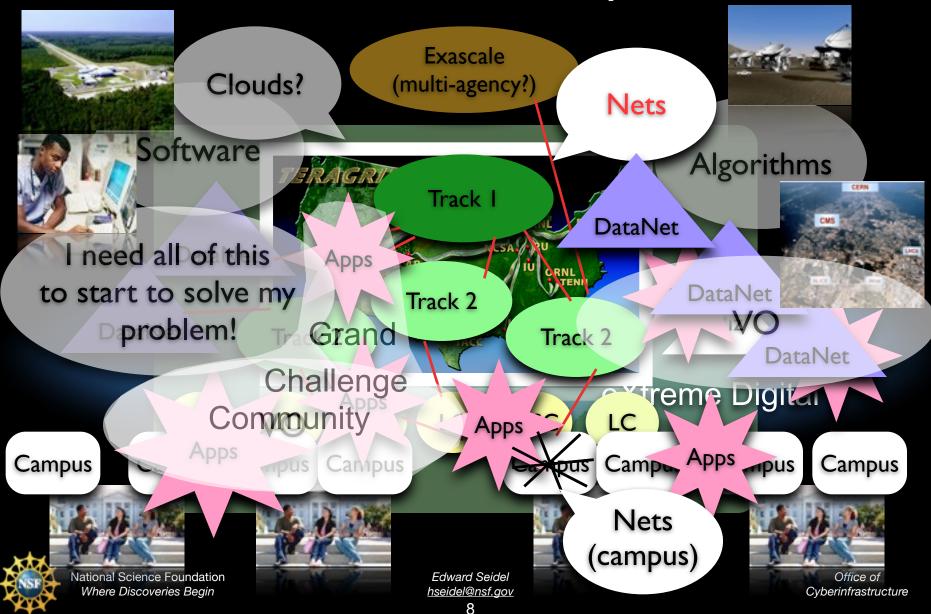
High
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Learning & Work Force Needs & Opportunities

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National CI Blueprint

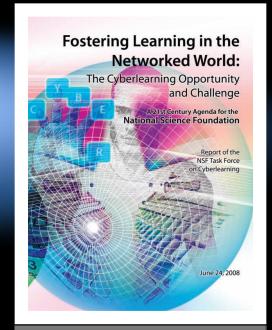


Education Crisis

- The CI environment is running away from us!
- How do we develop a workforce to work effectively in this world?

We must be much more aggressive about training people to use this, to deal with this data, and to work in this collaborative environment

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What about Campuses?

 Next generation science requires huge data to be manipulated, retrieved, stored, analyzed

- Collaborative environments will need unprecedented levels of sophistication
- Can barely do low-end video conferencing today! HD, Optiportal-level environments needed
- We need to seriously rethink our campus environments and how they can support new modalities of research, collaboration, education
- Federated ID management!





Computational Science PITAC Report Summary



"Together with theory and experimentation, computational science now constitutes the "third pillar" of scientific inquiry..."





Computational Science PITAC Report Summary



"Universities must significantly change organizational structures: multidisciplinary & collaborative research are needed [for US] to remain competitive in global science"



Computational Science PITAC Report Summary



"Itself a discipline, computational science serves to advance all of science.....inadequate and outmoded structures within the Federal government and the academy today do not effectively support this critical multidisciplinary field"





Rough Plan for OCI

Attempt to fill out holes in current CI coverage

- Data, software, algorithms, networks...
- HPC and beyond: Clouds, campus integration...
- Workforce development!
 - Many exponentials: data, compute, collaboration
- Task Forces: Campus Bridging, Education, Computing, Software, Data, GC Communities
- OCI as base for CI development, deployment & computational science research and education
- New programs: GC communities attack complex problems at frontiers of science and engineering
 - CI-driven, with above pieces in place first



